

From: Kristine Thomas
Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2008 2:22 PM
To: Kristine Thomas
Cc: Patricia Campbell
Subject: GOEO Update - June 5, 2008
Importance: High

The following information is approved for public distribution to any and all of your associates. All events are open to the public. Please scroll through this message for a detailed summary of items described. Contact information for each item is provided.

1. Family Economic Relief
2. Mortgage Trouble? Governor announces local toll-free help line
3. Public Hearings on a Statewide Transportation Program
4. Well Woman Health Check Program
5. Diversity Leadership Alliance workshop – June 11th
6. Arizona Veterans' Small Business Conference - June 11th and 12th
7. 14th Annual First American Leadership Awards - June 13th
8. Men's Community Wellness Event - June 14th
9. Do you know a child who may be overweight or at risk of becoming obese?
10. AZ Indian Town Hall – July 14th-16th
11. 6th Annual Native American Basketball Invitational - July 21st-25th
12. 2008 Assets Learning Conference - September 11th-13th
13. Verizon Foundation: Education, Literacy and Health Grants – Deadline: November 1, 2008
14. Scholarships

Today's and previous updates can be found on our website at <http://azgovernor.gov/eop/GOEOUpdates.asp>

Kristine Thomas

EEO Coordinator and Tribal Liaison
Governor's Office of Equal Opportunity
State Capitol Executive Tower
1700 West Washington, Suite 156
Phoenix, AZ 85007
PH: 602-542-4421
FAX: 602-542-3712
email: kthomas@az.gov
website: <http://azgovernor.gov/eop/>

"Many Lands, Many People, Many Faiths...One Arizona"

1. Family Economic Relief

As state employees we play an important role in strengthening and supporting our communities. In these difficult economic times, it is important Arizonans can access the supportive resources available to them, and this information is provided in a clear and understandable way.

The Governor's Children's Cabinet has gathered information and resources for where Arizonans can get assistance in their own communities, and put it into a usable format through the attached tri-fold brochure. The purpose of this information is to reach out to Arizonans who are currently experiencing financial stressors who may not know where to turn, or who are not used to reaching out for help.

Both this brochure as well as a document with tips for saving money on household bills and contact information for debt/financial assistance, transportation related tips, information on health insurance and suggestions for reducing food costs are available on in easy to navigate feature pages on the www.az211.gov website. Please visit the Family Economic Relief feature on 211 to find more details on ways you can find help for your friends, family, neighbors, and those you come into contact with at work.

We hope this information will provide a vital link for helping people to weather through the current economic situation. We also hope this information promotes further partnership among individuals, communities and state agencies for a stronger Arizona.

http://www.az211.gov/images/stories/FeatureSection/family_economic_relief/brochure.pdf

2. Mortgage Trouble? Governor announces local toll-free help line

PHOENIX - Governor Janet Napolitano announced today the latest effort in a series of state initiatives to better serve Arizona families facing foreclosure. Homeowners who are either delinquent on their mortgage or face foreclosure now have a new, dedicated 24/7 toll-free help line to reach a local Arizona foreclosure counselor: 1-877-448-1211.

“In response to a problem that is increasingly affecting so many Arizona families we are launching this new toll free number in an effort to urge homeowners to not delay – to call today,” said Governor Janet Napolitano. “Troubled Arizona homeowners now have a phone number that will connect them to specialized services right here in Arizona. We urge anyone who may be at risk of foreclosure to call a local foreclosure counselor today.”

The Arizona foreclosure help line, made available through a \$1.3 million federal grant, will be a vital link between families facing a housing crisis and access to free foreclosure counseling appointments. The Arizona Department of Housing is contracting with Community Information and Referral Services to staff the call center which will connect homeowners to a local, certified foreclosure counselor.

Other state efforts to address the mortgage foreclosure crisis in Arizona include:

- Expanding the Arizona Department of Housing’s Eviction and Foreclosure Prevention program (from \$2.75 million to \$4.2 million) and providing an additional \$500,000 to support additional outreach in highly-impacted areas
- Additional foreclosure counselors being trained across the state
- Foreclosure Prevention Workshops for at-risk homeowners throughout Arizona
- Leadership in the Arizona Foreclosure Prevention Task Force, which brings together 200 organizations, lenders, community leaders and government representatives to coordinate outreach and education efforts to assist homeowners facing foreclosure

Tips on helping to avoid foreclosure can be found at www.azgovernor.gov.

3. Public Hearings on a Statewide Transportation Program

The State Transportation Board will host four public hearings in June to invite public comments on a statewide transportation program developed by the Arizona Department of Transportation collaboratively with regional and local transportation partners from across the state. ADOT’s Statewide Transportation Investment Strategy outlines a transportation program that would be funded through a ballot initiative filed by the TIME (Transportation and Infrastructure Moving Arizona’s Economy) Coalition.

The public hearings will be held at various locations throughout the state as follows:

- Monday, June 9, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Town of Marana Council Chambers, 11555 W. Civic Center Drive, Marana
- Wednesday, June 11, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Phoenix Convention Center West 106 B and C Meeting Rooms, 100 N. 3rd Street, Phoenix
- Thursday, June 19, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Manning House, 450 W. Paseo Redondo, Tucson

For more information on the hearings, to provide comments or for general information please visit www.azdot.gov.

4. Well Woman Health Check Program

The Well Woman Health Check Program is a statewide program that provides free cancer screening to women that qualify. Women on the program may receive a:

- Clinical Breast Exam
- Mammogram
- Pelvic Exam

- Pap Test
To qualify, call 1-888-257-8502.

The Well Woman Health Check Program is operated by the Arizona Department of Health Services through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

<http://www.wellwomanhealthcheck.org/>

5. Diversity Leadership Alliance workshop – June 11th

Workshop: The Bully and the Bottom-Line

Workshop Leader: Allison West, Esq., SPHR is principal of Employment Practices Specialists, LLC, in Pacifica, California

Workshop Summary: When managers attempt to motivate employees through yelling, abusive behavior and intimidation, they negatively impact morale, turnover and productivity. The same holds true for employees who sabotage co-workers, make belittling comments and engage in backstabbing. But, if they are a good performer, management tends to look the other way. While bullying is not unlawful yet - the bully still creates tremendous risk. This information-packed workshop will explore how bullying behavior affects the bottom-line and creates potential legal claims. Participants will gain practical tips on how to effectively stop bullying in the workplace.

DATE: Wednesday, June 11, 2008

TIME: 8:00 am to 12 noon

LOCATION: Freescale Semiconductor - 1300 N. Alma School Rd, Chandler, AZ 85224

NOTE: Seminar will be in Building C which is the furthest building West on the site (Look for DLA Signs). Freescale is located between Warner and Ray Road on the West side of Alma School. (There is a stoplight for the Freescale site.)

NO CHARGE for registration and no shows will be charged \$50.

Seating is limited. Please register at www.diversityleadershipalliance.org and reserve your seat today

6. Arizona Veterans' Small Business Conference - June 11th and 12th

"Opening doors for veteran small businesses"

June 11-12, 2008

8:00AM - 5:00PM

Ft. McDowell Resort & Casino

Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, AZ

Who Should Attend? Veterans and Veteran Owned Businesses who are...

- Seeking matchmaking opportunities with Federal/State government agencies, Federal Prime Contractors and Corporations
- Interested in increasing opportunities to become suppliers
- Interested in starting a business and how to market your company.

Registration Fee: \$150.00

Presented by National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development and the AZ Department of Veterans' Services

For more information, call 602.277.1854 or visit www.azdva.gov/vbag/htm or www.ncaied.org

7. 14th Annual First American Leadership Awards - June 13th

Friday, June 13, 2008

5:00 p.m. Registration

5:30 p.m. "Meet the Artist" Networking Reception

7:00 p.m. Dinner, Awards, Entertainment

Radisson Fort McDowell Resort & Casino
10438 N. Fort McDowell Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85264
(Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation)

The First American Leadership Awards (FALA) Banquet is an annual fundraising & networking event presented by the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development. FALA acknowledges accomplishments and contributions made by American Indians and those who support their economic and business development endeavors.

For more information please contact: Phyllis Smith at 480-545-1298 Ext 244 or email events@ncaied.org

8. Men's Community Wellness Event - June 14th

Saturday, June 14, 2008
8:00AM to Noon

Rosati Education Center
Banner Desert Medical Center
1400 S. Dobson Road, Mesa
(Parking available in garage next to the Dobson Road entrance)

This special health event is one day before Father's Day to encourage men to give their health the priority it deserves.

Free Health Screenings:

- Cholesterol/Glucose testing (do not eat or drink coffee or tea 8-hrs before testing for blood glucose in order to get accurate results)
- Blood pressure
- Vision testing
- Body mass index
- Oral Health Evaluation
- Massage Demonstration
- Medical eligibility
- Legal Consultation

Workshops:

- Men's Health presentation
- What you need to know about diabetes by NIH representative
- Interpreters will be available in Chinese, Vietnamese and Korean Languages

For more information contact Asian Pacific Community in Action (APCA) at 480.626.3065 or email yen@apca-az.org

9. Do you know a child who may be overweight or at risk of becoming obese?

Camp L.Y.F.E 2008 - June 23rd-June29th
For boys and girls ages 9-14
Arizona State University – Tempe, AZ

Camp L.Y.F.E. (Love Yourself For Everything) is a seven-day resident camp aimed at promoting healthy lifestyles for adolescents through providing a safe, fun, interactive environment for youth. The Camp L.Y.F.E. experience promotes healthy happy relationships, daily physical activity, proper diet and nutrition, culture and diversity awareness and personal education. Camp L.Y.F.E. will provide youth with the opportunity to practice healthy lifestyle behaviors in every facet of living, including their social, personal and physical environments.

Youth ages 9 – 14 will participate in a wide variety of fun, interactive activities. Each participant will be provided individual support and mentorship. Daily activities include; skating, swimming, yoga, hiking, cooking and dance as well as

workshops and group learning activities, Camp L.Y.F.E. offers the traditional "camp" atmosphere in a healthy, fun supportive setting. It provides an environment that feels like home away from home. Participants will have the opportunity to grow and develop new skills and meet new friends throughout their week at the Camp L.Y.F.E. experience.

Camp L.Y.F.E. participants will live in the Hayden East dormitories on campus at Arizona State University in beautiful Tempe, Arizona. Certified teachers, dietitians, registered nurses and pediatricians, life coaches and youth advocates will be on-hand to work with youth on healthy lifestyle behaviors and choices using an entertaining approach. Camp L.Y.F.E. will offer group and individual discussion to address issues that impact our kids such as self-esteem, relationships, personal health and culture and diversity. Counseling is also available upon completion of the Camp experience as needed for each family.

Workshops: Campers will attend workshops that provide valuable information about diet and nutrition including discussions on food selection and food choices. Additional workshops will include topics related to self-esteem, culture and diversity, decision-making, communication, social behavior and personal success. Other workshops include dance, arts, and group centered games and activities.

Activities: Campers will have a selection of various physical activities to participate in each day. Activities include yoga, Pilates, tennis, kickboxing, swimming, hiking, golf, nature walks and strength training. In addition to the physical activities that will be offered, participants will participate in social activities, theatre and field trips.

Register online at www.worthyinstitute.com. Camp Fee is \$399.00 per child. Fee includes housing, meals, field trips, camp activities and camp supplies. Limited Scholarships may be available for low-income families that qualify.

All applications and payment must be received no later than 5:00pm MST on Monday, June 9, 2008. For additional information please contact the Worthy Institute at (602) 258-3300.

10. AZ Indian Town Hall – July 14th-16th

Mark your calendar and join the Arizona Commission of Indian Affairs (ACIA) as it hosts the 28th Annual Indian Town Hall in scenic Carefree, AZ July 14-16, 2008. Let the beautiful scenery inspire you as we discuss this year's topic: Protecting Land and Water.

Be sure to book early and visit the Carefree Resort's website at www.carefree-resort.com to learn more about the amenities they have to offer. In addition to the event that ACIA is hosting there, the resort features several daily activities such as guided walks, and evening campfires complete with story telling and smores; these activities are provided for you at no cost. Room rates for this summer retreat are just \$74.00 per night! Reservations can be made by calling 800.949.1994, mention the AZ Indian Town hall.

This year we are excited to introduce online registration. This makes registration convenient and allows you to pay with Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. Of course as always you may pay with a check or Purchase Order. Please check our website for details at www.azcia.gov

Registration

\$90.00/Individual until June 10, 2008

\$65.00/student until June 10, 2008.

\$175.00/vendor

(Sponsorship opportunities are available!)

Questions or comments? Email us at lorie.wells@azcia.gov or call 602.542.3123

11. 6th Annual Native American Basketball Invitational - July 21st-25th

Presented by Nike & University of Phoenix

"6th Annual Native American Basketball Invitational"

Monday, July 21st - Friday, July 25th, 2008

Phoenix, AZ

NABI Tournament Games Begin: 8am-9pm North High School, Pi-Copa & Lehi Recreation Centers. Locations addresses, directions, game schedules and brackets will be posted in early-July. Tickets: \$20 for 5-day (all access wristbands) or \$5 per day. Children 6 & under free. Wristbands can be purchased at gym doors.

Saturday July 26, 2008

- NABI Final Four & 3rd Place Games: 8am-5pm, US Airways Center, home of the Phoenix Suns & Phoenix Mercury.

- NABI Championship Games: 5pm-8pm, US Airways Center, home of the Phoenix Suns & Phoenix Mercury.

Tickets: \$10 for all-day *re-entry ticket. Children 6 & under free. Tickets can be purchased at US Airways ticket windows & www.ticketmaster.com

For more information contact: amanda@nabihoops.com or log onto www.nabihoops.com

12. 2008 Assets Learning Conference - September 11th-13th

Advancing America's Assets Agenda: Expanding Opportunity, Promoting Prosperity & Mobilizing Communities

Thursday, September 11th - Saturday, September 13th
Washington, DC

The 2008 Assets Learning Conference is the place where a diverse group of leaders comes together to discuss innovations, vision and strategies in assets practice, policy and research. Representing nonprofits, foundations, governments, policy advocacy organizations, private sector companies, and academic institutions, as well as assets program participants and accountholders, conference participants focus on furthering a single purpose: to encourage action and advance America's assets agenda. To learn more about these sessions, please visit:

http://www.assetsconference.org/index1.php?view=practice_session_descriptions

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The 2008 Assets Learning Conference is specifically designed for asset holders, local IDA and asset-building practitioners, state IDA and asset-building coalitions, national IDA and asset-building organizations, policymakers, corporations, researchers and foundations.

Visit the conference home page at <http://www.assetsconference.org/index.php>

13. Verizon Foundation: Education, Literacy and Health Grants – Deadline: November 1, 2008

About: The Foundation funds programs in the following areas of interest: education, literacy, domestic violence prevention, healthcare and accessibility and Internet safety.

Eligible applicants: nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status. Proposals will also be considered from elementary and secondary schools that are registered with the National Center for Education Statistics.

For complete program information and application guidelines, please visit:

<http://foundation.verizon.com/grant/guidelines.shtml>

14. Scholarships

Union Sponsored Scholarships and Aid

<http://66.109.241.150/unionplus/scholarship.html>

200 Free Scholarships for Minorities (created by Black Excel)

<http://www.blackexcel.org/200-Scholarships.html>

25 Scholarship Gateways from Black Excel

<http://www.blackexcel.org/25scholarships.htm>

Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education
2020 North Central Ave., Suite 275
Phoenix, Arizona 85004-4503
(602) 229-2531
http://azhighered.org/acpe_default.aspx?pageid=16

FAFSA On The Web
<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Aid & Resources For Re-Entry Students
<http://www.back2college.com/>

SIT Study Abroad Programs
<http://www.worldlearning.org/323.htm>

INROADS Internships
<http://www.inroads.org/>

ScienceNet Scholarship Listing
<http://www.sciencenet.emory.edu/undergrad/scholarships.html>

Cornell University Graduate School – Fellowship Database
<http://www.gradschool.cornell.edu/?p=132>

RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS AT OXFORD
<http://www.rhodesscholar.org/info.htm>

THIS DOCUMENT IS PROVIDED FOR INTERNAL INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY. THE ARIZONA GOVERNORS OFFICE OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS THE MATERIAL IN THIS DOCUMENT WITHOUT IT OR ANY OF ITS EMPLOYEES MAKING ANY WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING THE WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, OR ASSUMING ANY LEGAL LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE TIMELINESS, ACCURACY, COMPLETENESS, OR USEFULNESS OF ANY INFORMATION, APPARATUS, PRODUCT, OR PROCESS DISCLOSED, OR REPRESENTING THAT ITS DISTRIBUTION OR USE WOULD NOT INFRINGE PRIVATELY OWNED RIGHTS. THE READER ASSUMES THE ENTIRE RISK AS TO THE ACCURACY AND THE USE OF THIS DOCUMENT AND ANY RELATED OR LINKED DOCUMENTS.